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WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

April 22-May 5, 2008

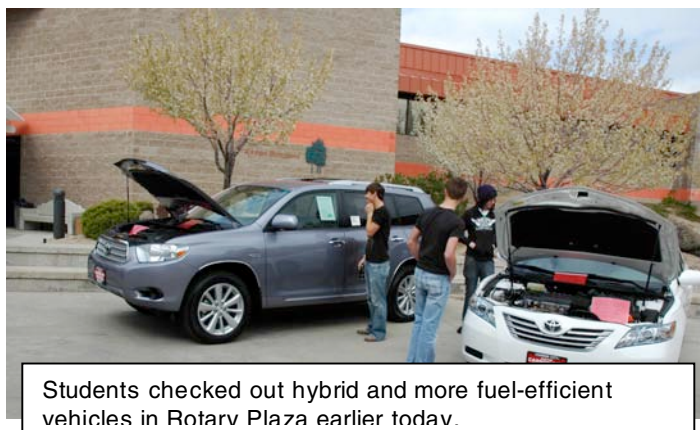
NEWS

College Celebrates Earth Day in Fallon and Carson City

Plant a tree. Check out the latest in hybrid auto technology. Stop using plastic shopping bags. Inspire yourself with a film and discussion. All this and more are part of the college's Earth Day celebration today. Fallon students are distributing free canvas shopping bags, planting trees and providing information on how to be more earth friendly. There will also be a campus trash pickup contest at 2 p.m. today, and a chance to recycle cardboard, cans and plastic with designated bins.

In Carson City, the college's new Sustainable Living Group offers a free film about global warming. "An Inconvenient Truth" plays at Marlette Hall in the Cedar Building, at 12:15 p.m. and 7 p.m., followed with discussions moderated by faculty members.

In the Rotary Plaza, see hybrid and other low emission vehicles provided by local Ford, Saturn and Toyota car dealerships. In addition, a voter registration booth will be available so students can become more politically active about "Earth-friendly" issues.



Students checked out hybrid and more fuel-efficient vehicles in Rotary Plaza earlier today.

Fall Registration Has Begun!

Although summer hasn't even arrived yet, it's already time to start looking ahead to fall semester. Continuing students can now register online. New students can access the fall class schedule and begin registering on April 28. Registration is also continuing for summer classes.

<http://www.wnc.edu/academics/schedule/>

Students to Honor Peers at Awards Banquet

Outstanding students from the 2007-2008 academic year will be honored Saturday, April 26, at the Plaza Hotel Conference Center, in the eighth annual Awards & Appreciation Banquet sponsored by the Associated Students of WNC. Congratulations to all the students who have worked hard to earn their accolades. The reception and dinner begins at 6 p.m. For information call the ASWN office: 445-3323.

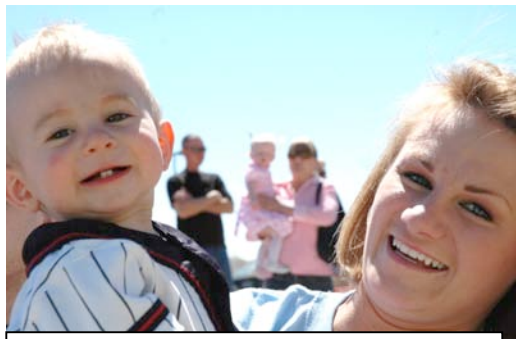


Light Barrier Gives Better View of the Stars

City lights in Carson City reduce the contrast of the night sky, and make it harder for viewing planets and stars. A solid fence was installed recently to protect the Jack C. Davis Observatory from ambient light. Several WNC construction technology students worked on the project, including Peter Reinschmidt, shown here using a power screwdriver to hold sheet metal in place.

Board Approves Tenure Requests

Seven WNC faculty members have been granted tenure by the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents. Each applicant met the standards for tenure in the NSHE Code and was recommended by their peers and President Carol Lucey. They include Jeffrey Downs (mathematics), Lori Magnante (early childhood education), Michael Malay (nursing), Gil Martin (art), Dr. Robert Morin (political science), Dr. Hal Starratt (anthropology), and Dr. Michael Tischler (English).



WNC student Michelle Charles and her son Eli enjoyed Deaf Pride Day.

Community Deaf Pride Day a Success

"Community Deaf Pride Day" on Saturday, April 12, at WNC Carson City was a big success. The crowd of hundreds attracted many deaf and hard of hearing children and adults, and offered fun activities, food and drinks, and information about services, as well as information about the college's Deaf Studies program. Activities included 4-H petting animals, cookie decorating, face painting, a jump house, and a raffle.

Wouldn't Ewe Like to Graze Here?

Recent wildfires have come dangerously close to the Carson City campus, and woolly mowers were out earlier this month, chewing cheat grass behind the buildings to prevent the buildup of fuel. Cheat grass is unpalatable to grazing animals except for a brief period in the spring when it is green and lush, and that's when these sheep went to work earlier this week. The Cedar Building and hills to the north of Carson City are shown.



And Don't Forget Earth Moving Day in Carson City

"Earth Moving Day" is also taking place on campus. As facilities personnel prepare the campus for a major improvement project under the Americans with Disabilities Act, the college is relocating many bushes and trees from the north end to the south end of the Carson City campus. The renovation will begin in early June and will significantly improve access and safety in and around the Bristlecone Building. Included will be leveling of the hilly north campus handicap parking area, replacing indoor staircases and ramps, and installing three lifts inside the building.

EVENTS

"Golf for Greenwave Graduates!"

What: Greater Nevada Mortgage Services & WNC Fallon Golf Tournament

When: Saturday, April 26

Where: Golf Course @ Fallon – 2655 Country Club Drive

Information: 423-7565 – Bus Scharmann

Musical Theatre

"Damn Yankees" Will Hit a Home Run

Weekends May 9-18, 7 p.m., Sundays Matinees 2 p.m.

Carson City Community Center Cost: \$18, \$16, \$14



It's an old tale with a modern spin that has captivated audiences for centuries. What would you sell your soul for, and can you outwit the devil in the bargain? The high-spirited baseball classic plays in seven performances. The show is animated with non-stop hits, including the boisterous "Shoeless Joe from Hannibal, MO," the eye-popping "Whatever Lola Wants" and the encouraging "You Gotta Have Heart." The WNMTC production stars James McDuffie, Carla Wilson, Sami Busey and Jim DeZerga. Forty singers and dancers round out the cast, accompanied by a live orchestra conducted by Stephanie Arrigotti. The show will play at the Carson City Community Center Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. There is also a matinee on Saturday, May 17, at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$18 for general admission, \$16 for students and seniors, and \$14 for youth 17 and under. For tickets and information, call 775-445-4249.

<http://www.wnc.edu/news/2008-04-22a.php>

Featuring Laura Fuentes

13th Annual Multicultural Festival Promises Day of Fun

Saturday May 10, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Rotary Plaza between Bristlecone and Aspen

Cost: Free

A full day of food, free entertainment, and educational exhibits is in store for the 13th annual Multicultural Festival. Headlining the event this year is Laura Fuentes, who brings a rich diversity of Latin American music from Chile, Mexico, Peru, Puerto Rico and Venezuela. Fuentes will perform twice during the day, along with Tomas Gonzalez Jansana on guitar and percussion. Visitors will be directed to performances in Rotary Plaza between the Bristlecone and Aspen buildings. Others performing are the musical group the Notables from Reno, Taiko Drummers, Irish Dancers, Celtic Musicians, Russian Balalaika Society and Native American dancers.



WNC Student Artwork on Display Now

Carson City Campus: Through May 9 in both Bristlecone Building art galleries

Fallon Campus: April 28-May 9 – Virgil Getto Hall Gallery

Cost: Free



Hundreds of student works are showing the strength and talent of WNC art students. Media include painting, drawing, ceramics, printmaking, mixed media, photography, sculpture, design/visual foundations, and graphic communications. Artist receptions are Wednesday, April 23, 4-7 p.m. in Carson City, and Friday, May 9, 5-7 p.m. in Fallon. Students, faculty, staff and the public are invited.

ATHLETICS

Wildcats Baseball

Western Makes Run at First Place in SWAC

Western Nevada College's Wildcats baseball team battled the league's top team, along with wild and windy weather last weekend, to sweep a four-game series against Salt Lake Community College. The victories moved WNC to within one game of the league leaders. The Wildcats endured a marathon on April 18, outlasting the Bruins 7-6 in a 15-inning game nightcap, following a 7-4 victory in the first game of the doubleheader. On Saturday, April 19, the Wildcats won 1-0 and 10-8.

Western is away against Colorado Northwestern Community College April 25-26. Come out and see the Wildcats in their final home stand Friday and Saturday, May 2-3, against College of Eastern Utah. Doubleheaders begin at 1 p.m. on Friday and noon Saturday. <http://www.wnc.edu/athletics/baseball/>



Nevada System of Higher Education Regent Steve Sisolak of Las Vegas shakes hands with WNC catcher Chuck Howard after throwing out the first pitch of the day at John L. Harvey Field in Carson City on April 4. WNC took three out of a four-game series against College of Southern Nevada.

CAMPUS CORNER

Student Wins Prudential Service Award

Rachael Lambin is awarded the Prudential Community Service Medallion for Nevada by President Carol Lucey for her volunteer work building orphanages in Kenya. The Douglas resident is a WNC student, along with her brothers and mother. She also has an art exhibit hanging in the Dini Student Center.



WNC Student Earns Speech Honors

Lauren Tucker placed second in the University of Nevada, Reno, WNC and Truckee Meadows Community College Student Speech Contest sponsored by the Alliance of Racial Minorities. All contestants spoke about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s famous quote, "We may all have come on different ships, but we're in the same boat now." The honor came with a check for \$150. WNC's Anne Liao also participated and received mention.

Showing What Can Be Done

Area high school students got a look at Western during College Day on April 11. Events included tours, lunch at a Wildcats baseball game, and this completely restored 1965 Mustang. The work was completed in a WNC automotive technology class.



Skills USA Competition On Campus

On April 16, the Carson City campus hosted the Skills/USA competition for automotive repair, auto collision and refinishing, and welding. Twenty-five students from around the state who were the best in the northern and southern regional competitions gathered to solve problems at 12 work and testing stations. They diagnosed engine problems and repaired such things as sheet metal, disc and drum brakes, and took on difficult welds.



Nursing Students Do Well With Yard Sale

The Nursing Class of 2008 raised \$876 at its yard sale on campus, and the money will be used to fund two scholarships - one for a first year one for a second year student. Nursing student Kris Snow said the class also wants to thank the community for a great response.

HOLD THE DATE

Surgical Technology Class Pinning

What: Pinning Ceremony for Surgical Technology Class of 2008

When: Friday, May 16, 5 p.m.

Where: Sarah Winnemucca Hall, WNC Carson City

Information: Mo Lockey – 445-3294

WNC Commencement - Fallon

What: Commencement Ceremony for Class of 2008

When: Monday, May 19, 7 p.m.

Where: Barkley Theater at Oats Park Arts Center

Cap and Gown Information: 423-7556

WNC Commencement - Carson City

What: Commencement Ceremony for Class of 2008

When: Tuesday, May 20, 7 p.m.

Where: Carson City Community Center

Cap and Gown Information: 445-3233